Technology mission on oilseeds

1855. SHRI RAMSINH RATHWA: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a .'fact that Techno logy Mission on oilseeds was launched in 1986;

(b) if so, what were the main objectives, and specific targets and the time schedule specified under the Technology Mission;

(c) what was the organisational structure which was set up for achieving the targets within the specific schedule and who were the officers who were given direct responsibility for implementing the same;

(d) what was the actual achievement of the Mission at the end of the year 1990-91;

(e) whether the Technology Mission still functioning as such as per the original organisational structure; and

(f) if so, in what manner Government propose to strengthen the Technology Mission and achieve the objectives?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI MULLAPPALLY RAMACHANDRAN): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The immediate objective was to produce 16.5 million tonnes of oilseeds in 1989-90, which could cut down im ports. The long term objective is to reach a production level of 26 million tonnes by 2000 AD which would meet the entire requirements of the country.

(c) The Mission acted as a task force policy formulation and coordination ra ther, than direct implementation. The Mission was headed by the Director, Technology Mission on Oilseeds, a se nior officer of the Government of India who waa assisted by other officers and Staff.

(d) The production of oilseeds in 1990-91 reached level of 19.10 million tonnes as compared to 10.93 million tonnes in 1985-86 an increase of appro ximately 75 percent in production.

(e) No, Sir. Some additional staff has been provided to the Mission due to inclusion of oil palm and pulses among the responsibilities of the Mission.

(f) In view of (e) above, the question does not arise.

Crops affected due to drought and floods

1856. SHRI DINESHBHAI TRIVEDI: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the crops affected due to drought and floods in different parts of the country in recent month*, .and the relief provided to the fanners- so far; and

(b) whether Government propose to import any foodgrains as a result there of to meet the demand?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGNCULTURE (SHRI MULLAPPALLY RAMACHANDRAN): (a) As per reports received from State Governments about 18.93 lakh hec. of cropped area have been affected by heavy rains and floods during the current monsoon.

Dry spells during the current monsoon have resulted in a decline in the area sown and transplanted in respect of the following major kharif crops, till data, as given below:—

Rice	4·14%
Maize	20·98%
Baj:a	11.62%
Pulses	15·65%

Under the present system of financing the relief expenditure in the wake *at* natural calamities, the State Governments tfe required *to* undertake necessary relief

operations out of the crops of Calamity Relief Fund allocated to the States.

(b) No, Sir.

जोत के अन्तर्गत अतिरिक्त भूमि

1857. **सरदार जगजीत सिंह अरोड़ा :**

डा० जितेन्द्र कुमार जैन :

क्या कृषि मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या कृषि विशेषज्ञों ने खाद्यान्नों के संबंध में देश को आत्मनिर्भर बनाने के लिए आगामी दशक में 580 लाख हेक्टेयर अतिरिक्त भूमि को जोत के अंतर्गत लाने की सिफारिश की है ;

(ख) यदि हां, तो क्या आगामी दशक के दौरान इस अतिरिक्त भूमि को कृषि करने योग्य बनाने के लिए सरकार ने कोई योजना तैयार की है ;

(ग) यदि हां, तो उसका ब्यौरा क्या है ;

(घ) क्या इस परती भूमि को कृषि योग्य बनाने के लिए सरकार ने विगत वर्षों में कोई कदम उठाए हैं; और

(ङ) यदि हां, तो देश में 1990 के वर्ष के अंत में परती भूमि का कुल क्षेत्र, राज्यवार तथा क्षेत्रवार, कितना-कितना था ?

कृषि मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री मुल्लापल्ली रामचन्द्रन) : (क) सरकार को कृषि विशेषज्ञों की इस प्रकार की सिफारिशों की जानकारी नहीं है।

(ख) और (ग) ये प्रश्न नहीं उठता।

(घ) जी, हां ।

(ङ) 1987-88 के अंत तक के राज्य-वार ब्यौरे संलग्न विवरण में दिये गये हैं।

विवरण

परती भूमि के राज्यवार ब्यौरे (1987-88)

(क्षेत्र हजार हैक्टेयर में)

क्र सं०	राज्य/संघ राज्य क्षेत्र	परती भूमि		
		हाल में परती हुयी भूमि के अलावा अन्य परती भूमि	हाल की परती भूमि	कुल
1	2	3	4	5
1	आंध्र प्रदेश	1451	3190	4641
2	अरुणाचल प्रदेश	57	23	80
3	असम	84	88	172
4	बिहार	1082	1978	3060
5	गोवा	(एम०)	(एम०)	(एम०)
6	गुजरात	43	937	980
7	हरियाणा	5	528	533
8	हिमाचल प्रदेश	17	45	62
9	जम्मू व कश्मीर	7	91	98
10	कर्नाटक	417	942	1359